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This responds to the Office Action dated May 26, 2006. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.